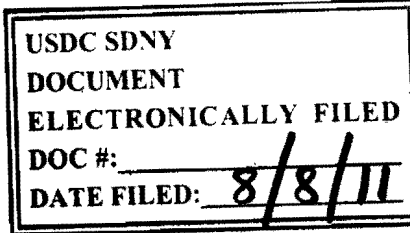


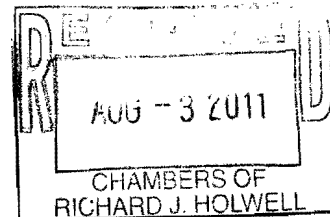
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Re: *Karen Novick v. Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. et al.*
Civ. Act. No. 09 Civ. 6865
File No.: 00584-7613

Dear Judge Holwell:

This office represents the defendants in the above-referenced action. We write on behalf of defendants and plaintiff to jointly request a two month extension of the deadline to complete discovery from August 12, 2011 to October 14, 2011 and a corresponding extension of the time to file motions for summary judgment.


The parties are engaged in discussions to try to resolve certain discovery disputes in an attempt to avoid motion practice. The sixty days is requested to allow the parties to resolve those disputes and for plaintiff to serve any follow-up discovery, if necessary. This is the first request for an extension of the discovery deadline. The extension would also affect the briefing schedule set for motions for summary judgment. Accordingly, we request that the Court amend the Scheduling Order dated May 18, 2011 (Doc. No. 36) as follows:

Description	Original Date	Adjourned Date
Last day to complete discovery	August 12, 2011	October 14, 2011
Last day to file motions for summary judgment	September 30, 2011	December 2, 2011
Last day to file responses to any motion for summary judgment	October 31, 2011	January 6, 2012
Last day to file replies to any responses to motions for summary judgment	November 14, 2011	January 20, 2012

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Thank you for your consideration of this matter

Respectfully submitted,



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extensions granted.

SO ORDERED



RICHARD J. HOLWELL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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